

**PERSONNEL AND TRAINING BUREAU
TRAINING DIVISION**

TRAINING NOTICE

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October 17, 2013

TO: All Commanding Officers

FROM: Commanding Officer, Training Division


SUBJECT: BICYCLE OFFICER RECERTIFICATION COURSE


Since the inception of the Department's bicycle program, there have been changes in the utilization of bicycle resources, differences in tactical philosophy, and technological advances in the equipment. Therefore, it is critical to ensure that personnel who have previously attended a Department bicycle patrol school have an opportunity to become familiar with current standards, practices and operations. Personnel who have not attended a Department bicycle patrol school in the last five years will be able to attend a 10-hour bicycle recertification course instructed by the Bicycle Coordination Unit (BCU), Training Division.

Effective immediately, as of October 22, 2013, classes have started and will continue indefinitely. As personnel approach the five-year separation period from their original bicycle patrol school certification date, they will have the option to attend the recertification course. Personnel who choose not to attend the course will be **decertified** as bicycle patrol officers and will not be allowed to operate a bicycle for the Department. Reinstatement will only occur after completing the recertification course. Furthermore, personnel attending the recertification course must be full-duty.

Commanding officers are responsible for ensuring that personnel under their chain of command complete the Bicycle Officer Recertification Course prior to field deployment. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Sergeant Matthew Bygum, Officer in Charge, BCU, Training Division, at (213) 847-1657.

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